



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

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Parshas Tzav / Shabbas Hagadol

8 Nisan 5775

March 28, 2015

**Candlelighting:** 6:58 PM  
**Mincha:** 7:05 PM  
**Shacharis:** 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM  
*Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur after Hashkama*  
**Sof Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):** 9:55 AM  
*Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur – cancelled this week*  
**Mincha:** 1:45 & 6:20 PM  
*Rabbi Luban's Shabbos Hagadol Drasha after Mincha*

**Maariv:** 8:00 PM  
**Shabbos Ends:** 8:08 PM

**Weekday Shacharis:**  
**Sun.** 7:15, 8 & 9 AM  
**Mon. & Thur:** 6:20, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM  
**Tue, Wed** 6:30, 7:10, 8 & 9 AM  
**Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:** 7:05 PM  
*R. Luban's Sheilos Uteshuvos Shiur- Monday 9:10 PM*  
*Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Iyun Shiur – cancelled this week*  
*Rabbi Billowitz' Halacha Shiur – Sunday after 8 AM Shacharis*  
*Tuesday Night Tehillim – 9:50- 10:10 PM*  
*Kollel Learning: Cancelled this week*  
*TNL – THURS. NIGHT LIVE: Cancelled this week*

**Weekday Maariv** 10:10 PM  
**Friday April 3: Erev Pesach**  
 Shacharis - 6:20, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM (followed by siyum after 6:20 and 7:05 minyanim)  
 Latest time for eating chometz – 10:29 AM  
 Latest time for burning chometz – 11:45 AM  
**Daf Yomi**  
 Monday - Thursday-after Z'man maariv  
 Friday-after Kabbolas Shabbos & Maariv  
 Shabbos -One hour before Mincha  
 Sunday -After 8 am shacharis

### KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is being sponsored by Penny and Michael Kaplan in memory of the Yahrtzeit of Michael's father Baruch Leib ben Yaakov Yissachar

### YFM KIDDUSH

YFM Kiddush this week is sponsored by Rachele Stern in honor of Zev's birthday. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz by email: [mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto:mbarenh@yahoo.com). Kiddush sponsorship is available April 18th and 25th.

### SHALOSH SEUDOS

Please note that there will be NO Shalosh Seudos in Shul This week. Please have Shalosh Seudos at home.

### TAANIS BECHORIM SIYUM

The 9:00 AM Minyan is looking for someone to make the Taanis Bechorim Siyum. If available, please contact Israel Rivkin/Barry Siegel.

### SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:  
-Rosa and Barry Katz in memory of Rosa's father Benjamin Chodosh Z"L

### MAZEL TOV

... to Susie and Barry Wolf on the birth of a son to their children Shoshie and Asher Dworetzky. Mazel Tov to the grandparents Rena and Eli Dworetzky, to brother Izzy and to the entire Wolf/Poleyeff/ Dworetzky families. The Shalom Zachor will be Friday night 9:15PM at the Wolf home 128 North 8th Avenue, Highland Park.  
...to Rabbi & Mrs. Shlomo & Miriam Ziegler on the engagement of their daughter Miera to Shaya Winiarz of Staten Island.

### YOMIM NORAIM CHAZZAN

We are very pleased to inform you that Yitz Henkin has been selected by the membership to be the Shul's Shaliach Tzibbor for the Yamim Noraim. We would like to especially thank the committee that did such a wonderful job selecting a wide range of candidates for the Shul's consideration, including:  
Billy Gewirtz, chairman, Josh Caplan, Shoshana Diskind, Larry Greenman, Lynn Hanfling, Sruli Hercman, Dena Lieblich, Danny Rosenblatt, Jonathan Teitelbaum, Shmilu Weiss.  
We also are very grateful to the election committee of Brian Allen and Harvey Atlas and greatly appreciate the efforts of Shelley Schoenfeld for preparing the ballots. Special thank you as well to our webmaster, Gene Wasserman, for his diligent efforts throughout this process linking the candidates' recordings to the website.

### CHOMETZ BURNING/ TRASH AND RECYCLE EREV PESACH

*Edison residents: Note garbage, recycle trucks and Chametz burning at N. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave & Edgemount Rd. from 7AM until noon. Please bring only what is Halachically necessary for burning.*  
*HP Residents: Chometz disposal will be offered on Friday, April 3 during the hours of 6:30 am - 12:00 pm at the Department of Public Works building located at: 444 Valentine St.*

### OHR TORAH CHAMETZ REMOVAL

If anyone is able to assist the Gabbaim Thursday night with the Shul's Bedikas Chametz, please contact Michie Klerer or Larry Greenman . In addition to being very important for the Shul, this can be a wonderful Chinuch and/or Chesed hour experience.  
Please also remember to check your Talis bags and underneath your seats in Shul to remove all Chametz.

### TEENAGE PESACH SHIUR

We will have an exciting Pesach Shiur for teenagers on Sunday March 29th at 7pm in OT. For more info please contact Neer Even Hen.

### FRIDAY NIGHT DAVENING

In response to suggestions that we have received from members to enhance the "Berov Am Hadras Melech" component of our Davening, the Board has decided that it would be best for the Ezras Nashim on both sides of the Shul to be closed for men beginning the first Friday evening after Pesach.

This protocol was used for the Shabbat Across America Friday night Davening and we have received much positive feedback from that experience.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding a Makom for Davening, please contact any of the Gabbaim or Russell Adler.

### HAMAKOM YENACHEM

We regret to inform you of the passing of Marion Mondrow, sister of Daniel Mondrow. Shiva visitation will be at the Mondrow home, 25 Marshall Drive, Edison, NJ. and will end on Tuesday morning, March 31. Minyanim information is as follows:  
Shacharis: 7:10 AM, Mincha: 7:05 PM  
The family kindly requests no visitors after 10 PM.  
May the family be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

### MECHIRAS CHOMETZ

Rabbi Luban is available for Mechiras Chometz.

### B'NEI AKIVA

Bnei Akiva this week will start at 5:30PM .

### YOM HASHOA COMMEMORATION AT OHR TORAH

Ohr Torah will be commemorating Yom HaShoah on Wednesday night, April 15, at 8PM. Brothers Henry and Bernie Schanzer will be speaking about their experiences as children during the Shoah. For information, please contact Neer Even-Hen or Susie Wolf.

### MALCOLM HOENLEIN TO ADDRESS COMMUNITY

On Sunday morning, April 26, Malcolm Honlein, Executive Vice Chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations will address the entire community. Ohr Torah together with the Orthodox Forum will host the event, to be held at 10am at the shul.

### ITEM DONATION POLICY

Congregation Ohr Torah greatly appreciates the donations of its members, many of

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whom have contributed very generously over the years. In fact, members are constantly thinking of different tangible items that our shul needs and have been kind enough to purchase or make such items for the shul. We are beneficiaries of such caring and thoughtful consideration.

As a reminder, in order to ensure that our policy is consistent, it is important that we follow a protocol for donations that has been in place since 1995. This policy includes the expectation of a financial contribution in connection with any commemorative or memorial plaque. If you wish to donate any item, large or small, please first speak with Leslie Ney, Moshe Schneider or Russell Adler before any such purchase or construction. Thank you again very much for your generosity and understanding.

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **HIGHLAND PARK HEARING & VOTE**

Highland Park Budget Hearing and Vote - Monday April 20th at 7:30pm The Highland Park Board of Education has proposed a 4.47% tax increase for Highland Park residents to cover their proposed 2015-2016 budget. Please share your thoughts at the Budget Hearing and Vote Monday April 20th at 7:30pm at Highland Park Middle School, 330 Wayne St.

#### **NORPAC MISSION**

NORPAC's Mission to Washington is an annual event where we bring close to a thousand citizen activists to Washington, DC, in order to advocate for a stronger U.S.-Israel relationship with Members of Congress.

Join us on Wednesday, May 13. On a single-day trip you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff, and share your concerns with them about foreign aid to Israel, Iran sanctions, security cooperation, and more. Buses leave for Washington from our area at 6:30 AM and return between 9-10 PM. There will be briefings on the bus. All meals will be provided.

Register now : [www.norpac.net](http://www.norpac.net) or call (201) 788-5133. Adults - \$175, Students - \$125 (must be over 12. Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian). Contact Marc Hanfling [dodcad@aol.com](mailto:dodcad@aol.com), Barry Wolf, Yosef

Schreiber, Charles Gershbaum for more info.

#### **THE 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY POLAND PILGRIMAGE**

Join us this July 12-20, 2015 with Rabbi Shraga Gross for an uplifting, inspiring and unforgettable journey through hundreds of years of Jewish history and heritage. We will visit the cities of Warsaw, Krakow, Lodz and Lublin as well as the Chassidic centers of Gur and Lezajsk. We will also tell the story of the Shoah visiting Auschwitz, Majdanek, Belzec, and other moving and significant sites.

We wish to preserve the intimacy of this experience and so space will be limited. There will also be an opportunity to personalize the itinerary if requests are received early enough.

For more info about this incredible journey contact: Nitza Adler at: (732) 670 4649 or email [morahnitza28@gmail.com](mailto:morahnitza28@gmail.com) Rivka Adler at [rivkaadler@yahoo.com](mailto:rivkaadler@yahoo.com), Mel Barenholtz at [mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto:mbarenh@yahoo.com) or Renee Griboff at [renee.griboff@gmail.com](mailto:renee.griboff@gmail.com)

### **ACTT**

**Next ACTT Event:** On Sunday, April 19, 2015 at 8PM at Cong Ohr Torah, come hear Mr. Charlie Harary, Esq., a world renowned motivational speaker talk about "Gratitude: The Secret to Jewish Success". This is an ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) community-wide booster event for the Hakaras HaTov 3 module. The ArtScroll source book, "Let There Be Rain - making Gratitude a part of our lives" is available at a discount from the Judaica Gallery. Admission is free and donations are welcome. For more info, e-mail [info@actt613.org](mailto:info@actt613.org), see [www.actt613.org](http://www.actt613.org), or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762

### **BIKUR CHOLIM**

- Bikur Cholim annual event will be held on Sunday, April 19th at the Pines Manor at 9:30 AM. Guest speaker is Rabbi Y Y Rubinstein. Guests of Honor: Barbara and Dr. Fred Glatter. Gomei Chessed Awardees: The Food Committee headed by Zehava Feuer, Mira Septimus, and Ariella Weintraub. Couvert \$50 per person. Dairy breakfast will be served. There will be complimentary babysitting. To RSVP, call (732) 572-7181.

- VISITORS WANTED: Bikur Cholim is seeking volunteers to visit Ms. Helen Zuberger at the Regency nursing home on DeMott Lane. We are also seeking visitors for Ms. Mollie Reuben and Ms. Esther Tucker, both also at the Regency. If you are able to help out, please call Rahel Baruh at (732) 672-4673 or email [rbaruh@yahoo.com](mailto:rbaruh@yahoo.com). Tizku

- The Bikur Cholim Transportation Committee coordinates rides to and from medical appointments. The coordinator matches requesters with an available driver. Each coordinator serves for two weeks at a time. This is a great way for somebody who doesn't drive to help the Transportation Committee. Of course, more drivers are always welcome as well. To volunteer, contact the Bikur Cholim hotline at (732) 572-7181 or fill out the volunteer form on the website [bikurcholimrv.org](http://bikurcholimrv.org).

### **OE YOUTH DEPT CRAYOLA TRIP**

Please join the OE Youth Dept on a trip to the Crayola Experience (formerly known as the Crayola Factory) on Sunday, March 29th (the Sunday before Pesach). This event is for children 4-12 years old. The bus will leave from OE at 9:30 am and return at approx 4:30 pm. The cost is \$25 per child registered by March 22nd, and \$35 per child registered from March 23rd-March 29th. Please RSVP at [oechildren@gmail.com](mailto:oechildren@gmail.com) or (732) 247-3038 to reserve your spot

### **PRE PESACH SPORTS ACADEMY YOUTH EVENT!**

Send your kids ages 3-15\* to AHAVAS ACHIM YOUTH SPORTS ACADEMY while you prepare for Pesach! Join us for sports, obstacle courses, races, and lots of fun on Sunday, March 29 from 10AM to 1PM at NEW YORK SPORTS CLUB in East Brunswick. Advance registration: \$15; Walk-ins: \$18. Kids will be split up by age group. Event includes a pizza lunch. Space is limited so RSVP to save your spot! RSVP to Miriam at [aayouth100@gmail.com](mailto:aayouth100@gmail.com). \*Must be potty trained

### **TORAH KIDS LEAGUES**

TorahKid Leagues is back again for its 6th exciting season! Sunday morning sports fun for area children at the local Highland Park High School field. There are separate programs for boys (ages 4-13 with 3 divisions; 11:00-12:30) and girls (ages 5-13, all-female staff; 9:30-10:45). Skill-building

instruction, with an emphasis on middos development in a Torah-friendly environment. Competitive play in different sports. New shirts/caps this year, so register early!! Spring and Summer Sessions -- Opening Day is May 31. For more info, please contact Rabbi Lasar at [TKLsports@aol.com](mailto:TKLsports@aol.com) or at (732) 985-1050.

### **PARK PLACE RESTAURANT**

Park Place will be open during Chol Hamoed.

### **JOIN TEAM CNJKIDS**

#### **FOR A RUN IN THE PARK**

Join TEAM CNJKIDS and run in the HIGHLAND PARK 5k on Sunday, 5/3/15. To sign up, go to <http://runinthepark.org/register/> and register for the race. If you register before 4/18/15 the entry fee will be \$25. Then e-mail [cnjkids@gmail.com](mailto:cnjkids@gmail.com) with your name, t-shirt size, that you wish to be a member of TEAM CNJKIDS, and that you will commit to raising \$50 for CNJKIDS.

### **RPRY**

-Please join us at RPRY's 70th Anniversary Dinner, on Sunday April 26, 2015, at 6:00 P.M., at The Heldrich Hotel, New Brunswick, as we honor Iris and Elie Borger and present a Distinguished Alumna Award to Avital Chizhik-Goldschmidt. We will also be presenting a special tribute - a Sefer Hakarat Hatov - to Rabbi Shraga Gross. Don't miss this amazing community event! To reserve your spot and submit a virtual journal ad AND a separate message for Rabbi Gross, visit [rpy.adjournal.com](http://rpy.adjournal.com)

-RPRY new student registration is now available online at [www.rpy.org](http://www.rpy.org). For all incoming Early Childhood Learning Center students, our 3:25-6pm extended day program, PM Playmates, is available for a reduced fee of \$250 until March 31, 2015 (regular fee \$1,350). For more info, or to learn more about other early bird registration fees, contact our Admissions Coordr, Chedva Gross, at (732) 572-5052 x223 or [cgross@rpy.org](mailto:cgross@rpy.org).

### **JFS NEWS AND EVENTS**

JRecovery-a free group support to help Jews and their families and friends with addiction and recovery issues meets every Monday at the JFS Milltown office, 32 Ford Ave., 2nd Fl, 7:30-8:30PM

### **NETIVOT MONTESSORI NEWS**

Netivot school tour for prospective families - Tues, April 21 @ 9:15AM. Please call (732) 985-4626 or [mynetivot.com](http://mynetivot.com) to reserve a space. We look forward to meeting you!

### **ATTN SINGLES: Registration is now open!**

A Weekend Bash(eirt): a modern orthodox singles shabbaton is ready to accept your registration for a wonderful Shabbos here in Edison/Highland Park. Find your basheirt in a relaxed, fun environment without having to travel far. Shabbos #1: May 8-9th singles ages 25-35 Shabbos #2: June 12-13th singles ages 35-50 Shabbos #3: Sept 11-12th singles ages 50 + Please visit our website to register and learn about the event: [aweekendbasheirt.com](http://aweekendbasheirt.com). Questions? Lea at [aweekendbasheirt@gmail.com](mailto:aweekendbasheirt@gmail.com).

### **FOR WOMEN**

-Sewing Class for Adults: Tuesday, April 14th, and running for five weeks, Bella Scharf-Zelingher, an experienced sewing instructor and designer, with over 50 years of experience in sewing, crochet, and design, will be giving a beginners course for adults at Cong Ahavas Yisrael (CAY), 1587 Route 27, Edison. Each class will be two hours in length and will have a practical application. The first course will teach students how to create a Shabbos apron from scratch. More advanced

courses will follow and range from five to seven weeks in length. Classes for pre-teens and teens can be started if there is enough local demand. Portable sewing machines welcome, but not required. The cost is \$36 only (for use of the CAY facility), which is a steal compared to the other local courses, ranging from \$40/hour to \$150 for a 3 week course! Contact Bella directly at [bswebworks@aol.com](mailto:bswebworks@aol.com) to reserve a spot. SPOTS ARE VERY LIMITED!

-Bikur Cholim OWLS (Overnight Women Labor Support): If you are an expectant mother and don't have coverage with a family member or a friend to stay with your kids when it is time to go to the hospital, Bikur Cholim offers a complimentary service. Volunteers come to stay with your kids at night. Please note this service is only for maternity situations. Please call at least 3 weeks before the due date, if not sooner, to be able to make necessary arrangements. For more info on receiving this service or about becoming a volunteer, contact Rikki at [732-249-5116](tel:732-249-5116).

-The Women's AMEN Group meets weekly on Sundays at 9:30 AM in a downstairs classroom at Cong Ohr Torah. The group meets in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and other Cholim in the community. Rabbi Bassous: Women's class on Sunday morning at 10AM at Cong. Etz Ahaim. Book being studied: Battle Plan by Rebbetzin Tziporah Heller and Sara Yocheved Rigler.

-Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women: Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current series: "Seven Blessings Seven Secrets – Still Building a Home on Sheva Brachos" with Mrs. Miriam Jaffe. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net). The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-New Gown Gemach in Edison! Looking for donations! L'iluy Nishmas R' Yitzchok Ben Binyomin. For more info, please call Sara Scott at [516-526-0941](tel:516-526-0941)

-SemPlus shiur for post seminary girls - For more info on Wednesday night class, please call [732-841-1885](tel:732-841-1885).

The following classes resume **after** Pesach:

-Mrs. Leah Drillman's *Shimiras Haloshon* class

-Mrs. Miri Cohen's *Parsha* class

-Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women

-Rabbi Weiss's Wednesday night shiur on the *Parsha* will resume after Pesach, I'YH, on 4/15

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-Collecting Sheitels: Keren Kol Kallah - established to provide orphan and destitute kallahs in Israel with essential needs. Donated custom sheitels, some brand-new, some gently worn, are sold to women in Israel who would not otherwise have the funds to buy a quality wig. All the money raised at the sale goes towards a hachnasas kallah fund which helps needy brides in Eretz Yisrael. Sheitels can be dropped off by Aviva, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison. For more info, please see contact Aviva Siegel ([732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408)) [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net)

#### **HIGHLAND PARK MIKVAH**

Mikvah hours for daylight savings time: Sunday – Thursday evenings from 9PM – 11PM; Friday nights by appointment only. Saturday night: March 28: 9:15 – 11PM; April 3-4: by appointment only; April 5: 9:15PM – 11PM; April 9-10: by appointment only; April 11: 9:30PM – 11PM. Please arrive with enough time to be out before closing time. For more info, call [732-249-2411](tel:732-249-2411) or email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com).

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**E-MAIL LIST:** To get on the Ohr Torah e-mail list, please contact Gene Wasserman at [genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com).

**BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES**  
Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702.

**TREE OF LIFE / YAHRZEIT PLAQUES:** To dedicate a Yahrzeit Plaque or a Leaf for the Lobby Eitz Chayim Tree, please contact Moish Nat by sending a detailed fax with all dedicatory wording to 732-759-8558. For more info, call Moish at 732-759-8070 during work days or 732- 572-4132 in the evening.

**SEFORIM DEDICATIONS:** Book/Seforim Dedications of all types are available contact Barry Siegel [siegeldad@optonline.net](mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net).

**HOUSEKEEPING:** For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at [ludeeju@gmail.com](mailto:ludeeju@gmail.com) or 732-572-5633.

#### **OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM EVENTS:**

Children can register for events on Ohr Torah's website "ohrtorah.net" or by calling Mayer Berg at 732-572-3429.

**REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING:** Please see the Ohr Torah website, [www.ohrtorah.net](http://www.ohrtorah.net), for the various schedules of learning as a Z'chus for a RefuahShleimah for members of our shul and community.

#### **FUNERAL / SHIVA ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

For funeral and Shiva email and phone mail announcements contact Reena Greenspan 732-828-5642 (home) 732-678-8848 (cell), [reenagreenspan@yahoo.com](mailto:reenagreenspan@yahoo.com) or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or [genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com)

**YAHRZEIT DATABASE:** To register a family member in the Yahrzeit data base, please follow this link <http://www.tinyurl.com/ot613> or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

**LOCAL ERUV** Please call 732-247-ERUV for status of the Eruv

#### **First Day Pesach**

Candlelighting	7:06 PM
Mincha	7:15 PM

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**PLEASE NOTE:** Please make sure that you leave a contact/callback name and phone # in case there is a question regarding the item you wish to be printed, otherwise it may not be included.